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In re Application of: TEST STRIP QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Application No.: 10/712,679

Filed: November 12, 2003

For: TEST STRIP QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

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**FEET TRANSMITTAL  
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Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT**

(\$ 110.00)

**Complete if Known**

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action
1805	1,840	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive – unintentional
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee
1406	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application

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**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

Fee from Extra Claims below		Fee Paid
Total Claims	19	-20** = x =
Indep. Claims	3	-5** = x =
Multiple Dependent		=

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
<b>SUBTOTAL (2) \$ [0.00]</b>				

110.00

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